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SUBJECT: BAHRAIN WELCOME INFORMATION FOR THE GLOBAL  
INITIATIVE TO COMBAT NUCLEAR TERRORISM

11. (U) This is an action request; please see paragraph three.

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Summary  
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12. (U) Bahrain became a partner nation to the Global Initiative to Combat Nuclear Terrorism (GI) on March 24 when Foreign Minister Sheikh Khalid bin Ahmed al-Khalifa presented Secretary Rice with a formal GI endorsement. Bahrain is the

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67th GI partner nation and the first in the Gulf region. Department requests that Embassy Manama designate a GI Coordinating Officer (GICO) at Post and provide GI welcome information to the Government of Bahrain (GOB). The demarche should be conducted jointly with Russian Federation counterparts if possible. End summary.

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Objectives  
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13. (U) Department requests Embassy Manama to pursue the following objectives:

--Designate a Global Initiative Coordination Officer (GICO) as Post's main point of contact and action officer for Global Initiative efforts. All posts in current partner nation capitals currently have GICOs and the designation has proved effective for coordination. Department requests GICO's full name, e-mail addresses (unclassified and classified), and phone number.

--Demarche the GOB, with Russian Federation counterparts if possible, relaying the welcome information for new GI partner nations (paragraphs 5-10).

--Provide the GOB with the following Global Initiative documents: plan of work; plan of work calendar; terms of reference; statement of principles; and explanatory notes. These documents will be e-mailed separately to Post once a GICO is identified. Note that the terms of reference and statement of principles are public documents while the explanatory notes, plan of work, and plan of work calendar are not public documents.

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Reporting deadline  
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14. (U) Department requests that Embassy provide GICO (action officer) information by April 11. Department requests that Embassy report results of the welcome demarche by April 18.

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Background: GI new partner welcome information  
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¶5. (U) The United States and Russian Federation, as GI co-chairs, welcome Bahrain as a new partner nation to the Global Initiative to Combat Nuclear Terrorism. The co-chairs look forward to Bahrain's active participation and contribution to the Global Initiative.

¶6. (U) The co-chairs encourage Bahrain to participate in upcoming Global Initiative activities included in the Plan of Work, particularly the Deputy Foreign Minister-level 4th Global Initiative plenary meeting to be held in Madrid June 16-18. The co-chairs encourage all partners to submit new activities to the Plan of Work. Partner nations may also wish to work with one another to co-host an activity.

¶7. (U) All partner nations are encouraged to conduct regional outreach to non-partner nations with a view to expanding the number of nations in the Global Initiative. The Chairmen's Statement from the Third Meeting provides general guidance, and can be found at:  
[www.state.gov/r/pa/prs/ps/2007/jun/86331.htm](http://www.state.gov/r/pa/prs/ps/2007/jun/86331.htm).

¶8. (U) All new partner nations are requested to provide government-wide Global Initiative point(s) of contact (POC) information including, for each individual: name, title, agency, telephone number, fax number, and e-mail address. POCs will be included in regular correspondence related to the Global Initiative. POC information will be included in the Plan of Work, accessible by all GI partner nations. In the near future, GOB POCs will be granted access to the Global Initiative Information Portal (GIIP) website, which

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permits partner nations to share information on a voluntary basis.

¶9. (U) U.S. Government POC information for the Global Initiative: Mr. Tim Katsapis, Senior Advisor for International Security and Arms Control, telephone: 001-202-647-0072, e-mail: [katsapise@state.gov](mailto:katsapise@state.gov); Mr. Andrew Grant, Acting Director, Office of Weapons of Mass Destruction Terrorism, U.S. Department of State, telephone: 001-202-647-4170, fax: 001-202-647-4920. E-mails regarding the Global Initiative can also be sent to [globalinitiative@state.gov](mailto:globalinitiative@state.gov).

¶10. (U) Russian Federation POC information: Mr. Vladimir Titorenko, Department of New Challenges and Threats, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, telephone: 7695-244-2694, e-mail: [dvbr@mid.ru](mailto:dvbr@mid.ru).

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Point of contact  
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¶11. (U) All cables associated with the Global Initiative should be slugged to the department for ISN/WMDT and T: Tim Katsapis as well as the relevant regional bureaus. E-mails regarding the Global Initiative can also be sent to [globalinitiative@state.gov](mailto:globalinitiative@state.gov).  
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